Technical Assistance On Reading (Then Mathematics),

Getting Everyone On Target/ Putting Literacy On Us (TARGET/PLUS)

2001-2002 Technical Assistance To Low-Achieving Schools

The TARGET/PLUS Grant, announced in February 2002, provides one statewide grant in the amount of \$750,000 which is targeted towards professional development using the MLPP K—3. St. Clair County Intermediate School District, awardee for TARGET/PLUS, will provide technical assistance for professional development of teachers in literacy instruction to eligible schools who are low achieving and ineligible for participation in the Reading First grant.

During the week of August 12-16 TARGET/PLUS coaches and literacy leaders attended an intensive Training of Trainers for implementation of the Michigan Literacy Progress Profile. TARGET/PLUS coaches and building literacy leaders will collaborate to provide training to all K-3 teachers in the 17 participating buildings. Model classrooms are being developed in each building. Quarterly reporting is underway.

TARGET/PLUS coaches meetings have been scheduled for Sept. 16, Oct. 31, Dec. 16, Feb. 3, and Mar. 25 and May 29 at Sarvis Center in Flint. The Western Michigan Evaluation Center, under the guidance of Pamela Zeller, will provide the program evaluation. Denise Lapish and Al Monetta now direct the field implementation of this project. For further information, please contact Lynnette Van Dyke a <a href="mailto:vandykel@michigan.gov">vandykel@michigan.gov</a>.